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Hongkong, March 15, 1908.

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C. FRERICHS,
Manager.
Hongkong, March 16, 1908.

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SOMERSET PLAYNE,
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Hongkong, March 10, 1908.

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1908, my position as MANAGER and
SHAREHOLDER of the HANG KEE
Firm, carrying on business as Merchants,
at No. 31, Gilman Street, as the
Business of the said Firm will be TRANS-
FERRED on that day to another Party.
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debts due by the said HANG KEE Firm
will be settled before the 16th March, 1908,
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Hongkong, March 12, 1908.

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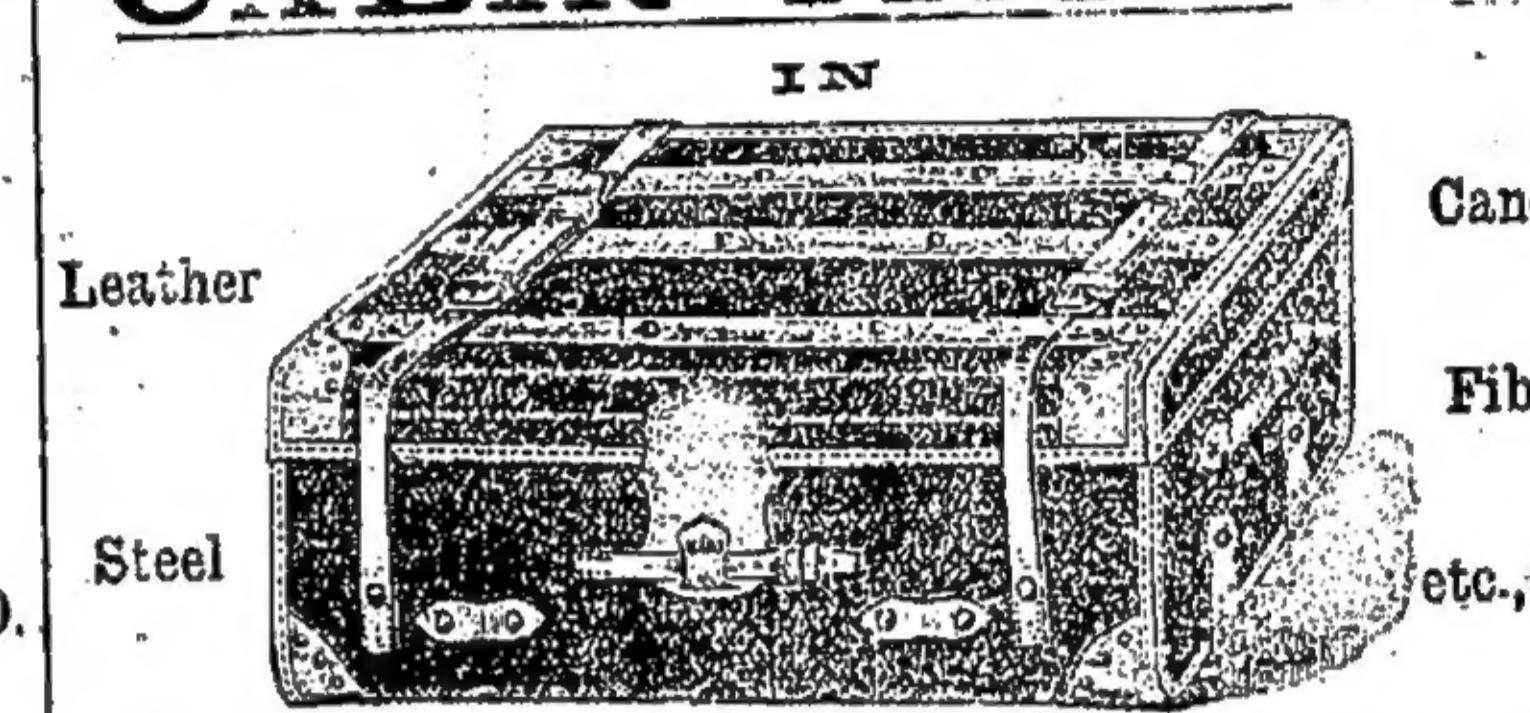
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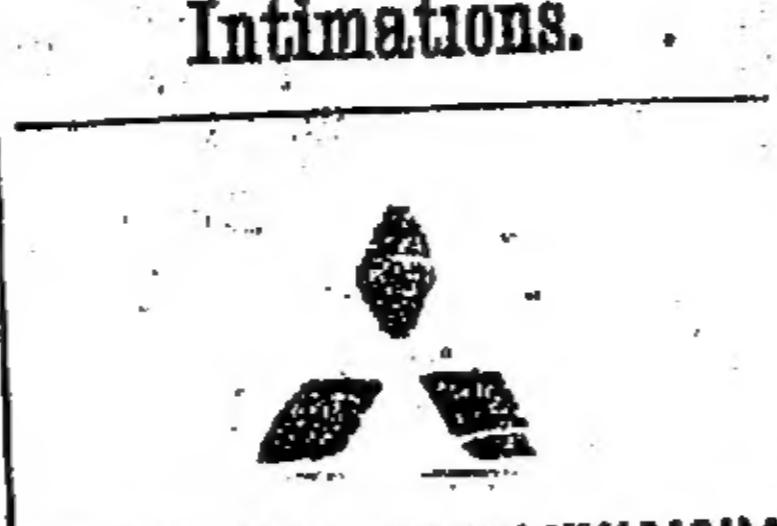
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Hongkong, April 26, 1908. 218

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It may be of interest at the present time,
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The Shansi (allowing for
the preferential 10 per
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The ordinary receive 223 per cent.

The deferred ... 18 per cent.

The directors receiving
the balance of ... 42 per cent.

So that if the price of Shansi is 10s., the
ordinary should be worth 15 times as much
—£10s.—and the deferred 240 times as
much—£120s.

The Pekin Syndicate has other interests,
notably the interest in the Chinese Central
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In conclusion, it will be seen from the
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IN AID OF

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(POTTINGER STREET CORNER).

Hongkong, August 7, 1907. 1748

PEKIN SYNDICATE
SHAREHOLDINGS.Strange Ideas Regarding
Shansi Shares.

Considerable misconception appears to
have prevailed over the rights of the
different classes of Pekin Syndicate
shareholders, writes a correspondent to the
"Financial News," and now that the
Shansi concession has been resold to the
Chinese Government many of the Shansi
shareholders consider that they should have
a portion of the capital they invested in
the company returned to them.

It should be remembered that the
concessions were obtained before the
Shansi shares were created, and large
sums of money had already been spent by
the Pekin Syndicate upon them. It was
necessary to raise further capital to develop
the concessions, and the Pekin Syndicate
practically asked the Shansi shareholders
to go into partnership with them on the
basis of a fifty per cent. share in the profits
derived from the concession.

Though the Shansi concession has been
sold, the Honan concession still remains to
the Pekin Syndicate and is being developed
at the present time, having an extensive
area and containing iron as well as coal.
Large sums of money will probably have
to be expended in the future on fully
developing this large property, so that
there can be no question of the directors
returning capital which doubtless in the
near future will be used towards the develop-
ment of the company's concession and
to dividend-warner for all classes of
shares.

A short study of the prospects of the
Shansi shares and the articles of association
will show that when the Shansi shares
were created their rights were only as to
the profits derived from the two concessions
—viz., Shansi and Honan—and the only
preference which they hold is one of 10 per
cent. of the net profits in each year until
the sum paid amount to £1 per share, the
balance being divisible as to 50 per cent.
to the Shansi shares and 50 per cent. to the
ordinary and deferred, and the question
of return of capital can only come into
consideration upon the winding up of the
entire company. It runs as follows:

"Article 11. The capital of the company
is £1,520,000, divided into 1,500,000 Shansi
shares of £1 each and 19,000 ordinary
shares of £1 each and 2,900 deferred shares
of £1 each.

"The Shansi shares confer on the
holders thereof, ratably in proportion to
the amounts paid, or credited as paid on
the Shansi shares held by them respectively,
the following rights—namely: (a) The right
to 10 per cent. of the profits of the company
of each year arising from the Shansi and
Honan Concessions, dated May 21, 1898,
until the sum paid in respect of such
percentage shall amount to £1 per share
on the issued Shansi shares; (b) the right
to half the surplus profits of the company
of each year arising from the said Shansi
and Honan Concessions which shall remain
after providing for the payment of the
said percentage whilst it continues pay-
able, and afterwards to half the said profit
of the company of each year; (c) the right
in a winding up to 50 per cent. of the
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Hongkong, January 12, 1907.

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D. TOHDOW,
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Hongkong, April 5, 1907.

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TAKAO TAKAMICHI,
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Hongkong, April 6, 1907.

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" J. R. M. SMITH,

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SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 12, 1907.

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" JOHN ARMSTRONG,
Manager.

Hongkong, January 7, 1908.

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THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

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PAID UP..... £250,000

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Goods per *Perkins* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, March 21.—
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MONDAY, March 23.—
Goods per *Tourne* undelivered after this date will be subject to rent and landing charges.

TUESDAY, March 24.—
3 p.m.—Auction of Household Property at Mr. Goff P. Lammert's Sales Rooms.

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THURSDAY, March 26.—
Noon—Meeting of The China-Borneo Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

Noon—Meeting of China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Lazon Suga Refining Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1908.

DIVIDE ET IMPERA!

The wise Roman knew well the strength of the virtue that lies in union of forces, and the advantage to be gained in any contest with a foe disunited or divided against itself. All the powers that make for federation should be conjoined in a nation that is to stand and to withstand, maintaining its own in the struggle for existence and showing itself the fittest to survive. Whether or not China is consciously applying the lessons of universal history or the truths and principles evolved from her own experience as a nation it is certain that the path trodden by advanced Western nations in their struggles for freedom is the same path along which this great nation of the Far East is marching to its destiny of enfranchisement and of progress. Chinese have realized that the hope of securing the blessings of liberty must be grounded in a united purpose, and that divided counsels must needs prove fatal to the realization of the hope. From many quarters the Canton officials and gentry have received messages of cheer and counsel to resist what was deemed the unreasonable demand of Japan for the release of the vessel seized by the Kwangtung authorities under circumstances now well-known throughout the civilized world. Shanghai Chinese, probably moved by the Canton merchants resident at the central port, were among the latest to evoke sympathy, and to bid their countrymen at the Southern provincial capital stand fast in the determination they have hitherto evinced. Probably the indirect issues of this, and similar situations in the provinces will have an all-important bearing on the future of China. Telegrams put the Chinese in touch with each other throughout the empire. The bond of the cable is at once a sign and a cause of federation in thought and purpose. Objects and aims that were not within the sphere of practical politics in the old days are brought within that sphere by wire. The telegraphic has become the potent expression of the voice of the

people. Deep calls into deep, heart speaks to heart, and hand joins with hand through the invisible messages that fly to and fro in all quarters of the land. Providence that watches over nations, guiding their destinies to a final goal in the progress of the race, is working in these events which for the present seem but to impel and to harass.

The question of diplomacy in Canton is training the populace of the Southern provinces in political independence. It is among the forces shaping the thought and purpose of a province toward the kind of autonomy in government enjoyed by separate states in America. Possibilities in the way of such autonomy are forcefully suggested, and possibilities of union also—provinces managing their own internal affairs whilst united for the nation as a whole. It is significant that the Viceroy of Canton has cast in his lot with the agitators, supporting and being supported in the attitude that was general of determination to risk everything rather than yield to the Japanese demand. Nothing can indicate more clearly the change that has come over China in a comparatively short time than the trend of opinion on the matter of the detained ship. A tribunal properly constituted and appointed, an enquiry into the whole proceedings from first to last, and a course of action determined by the results of such an enquiry were what the province sought and what Peking denied. "Most of sterling worth is that our own experience teaches," and the experience Canton gained is not unlikely to stand her in good stead. Larger assertions of wider liberty will not long be delayed, and they cannot well be denied. Each step in the progress of the nation and the race has meant conflict of the sort that the Chinese people have to wage against the long-standing despotisms of the past ages. The end is, however, assured, and the beneficent outcome of every endeavour to attain it is that in the end there is attainment—for truth, liberty, and right cannot fail of recognition when in the order of things their time has come.

There has been so much chopping and changing on the part of the Peking Government over the Tatsu Maru II incident that the newspaper is in the position of that gentleman immortalized by Chevalier—'E dumbo where care China appears to have consented, like the coy damsel, though she swore she would never consent, to climb down over the seizure. We have our own opinion in regard to the justice of Japan's demands, but nonetheless we think China is well-advised to avoid being forced into a war which, if there were no intervention could only result in loss of territory to say nothing of face. China had better, for the present, just enter up in her ledger the little accounts which call for settlement later on. When she has an up-to-date navy and an efficient army behind her she may turn back the pages to see to whom accounts are owing. It is interesting, by the way, to contrast the attitude of each of the allies, Great Britain and Japan, in regard to seizing. Russia cheerfully collared a number of our vessels during the late war, sank a few of them on suspicion or because the Russian skipper had been looking on the rookla when it was billions looking or some other equally justifiable reason. Great Britain has not yet contented herself with sending a note to Russia every now and then saying "really don't you think it would be the square thing to pay up a little on account for the damage you did?" These methods don't appeal to Russia, who treats the notes with contumely. However, when Japan has a steamer seized, apparently with some justification, she swings a club over China's head and intimates that unless that steamer is handed back in quick order, China is likely to suffer from head-ache for some time to come. This method is evidently ineffective. What we are inclined to protest against is the habit the Continental press has of depicting John Bull as disregarding all civilities and being in short a blustering bully. Compare John with his ally?

The unopposed election of Mr Murray Stewart yesterday afternoon by the Chamber of Commerce demonstrates the confidence the members of the

Chamber have in him. Mr. Stewart proponed his policy fairly and squarely, and though some in the Colony will think differently from him yet they cannot deny him the credit due the man with the courage of his convictions. In our editorial of March 10 we urged that the Chamber should appoint a man "who will be constantly jealous of citizen rights, who will be apprehensive of trespass upon the privileges of free-born Britons, and who will be locally vigilant in the advancement of public desires." Though Mr. Stewart indicated that he was not at one with those who, like Mr. Hewett, advocate greater public interest in the Colony's affairs, and though he distinctly foreshadowed a departure from the policy of the Chamber of Commerce as espoused by Mr. Hewett, the Chamber elected him, and he is, as a man, entitled to follow out his convictions to the end, conflict as they might with the previous policy of the Chamber. Mr. Stewart suggested in effect that he would hold the scales fairly, and whilst he is more in the position of an advocate than a judge, we trust he will fulfil the task that is ahead of him with credit to himself and the Colony. Their discussion likely to ensue on the Amending Bill will give Mr. Stewart an early opportunity to display his breadth of view and the grasp he might have of the sanitary requirements of the Colony. A certain duty is expected of him and we trust he will be able to demonstrate that he knows full well how to carry that duty out. It is to assist in getting the best possible legislation for the Colony.

Improvements in telegraphy mean that news can now be sent from the uttermost parts of the earth with a rapidity that would have astounded our grandfathers. Now that wireless telegraphy has been harnessed for commercial use it will soon be possible to obtain news from explorers who are endeavouring to track the North or the South Pole to its hair, or to fetch their secrets from the few parts of the world which still remain unknown. But with the improvement of mechanical appliances what might be called mental accuracy has not kept pace. A Honolulu paper just to hand has a telegram from "Hongkong, China," which states that a Japanese steamer was seized by the Chinese Government while unloading arms near Macao. These arms, the wire added, were to be used in an insurrection against the Portuguese Government? This is misleading enough but a Rangoon exchange still more excites our displeasure. This reckless sheet on Feb. 25 said "no information is obtainable of the death of Sir C. P. Chater at Hongkong, which we stated in yesterday's issue was reported." Here we are moved to protest. External journals may place Hongkong in China if they so desire, and may create imaginary insurrections against the Government of Macao without causing us any disturbance. But when it comes to killing off one of our most valuable citizens, who can certainly not be spared, we feel impelled to voice a loud and long protest. We have not many public-spirited men here that we can afford to have any of them slain even by telegraph without emphatic objection.

The Prime Minister of Australia has the courage of his convictions. There is, as we have remarked previously, a small but noisy party in the Commonwealth that is constantly urging that Australia should undertake its own defence, muck up the old country. Mr. Alfred Deakin when he declared that but for the intervention of the British Navy he would have to pay up a little on account for the damage you did?" These methods don't appeal to Russia, who treats the notes with contumely. However, when Japan has a steamer seized, apparently with some justification, she swings a club over China's head and intimates that unless that steamer is handed back in quick order, China is likely to suffer from head-ache for some time to come. This method is evidently ineffective. What we are inclined to protest against is the habit the Continental press has of depicting John Bull as disregarding all civilities and being in short a blustering bully. Compare John with his ally?

The construction of the new defence breakwater at Portsmouth has been commenced. This unique undertaking has been decided upon in order to prevent hostile vessels rushing the naval harbour under cover of darkness. A row of huge concrete blocks are to be dropped across the shallow sand-banks. These blocks weigh thirty-four tons each, and placed end to end, will make a formidable wall, which no destroyer can jump. There is a fort at either end, one on shore and one in the sea, and the only way of getting through the breakwater will be through a gap that can be quickly closed.

The Band of the 13th Rajput Regiment, the band of the regiment will play the following selection of music at the Oriental Hotel on Friday evening, as advertised in our columns.

It is reported, from Akita that a Japanese named Watanabe Unchichi, has picked up a box on the beach containing \$8,250 in Russian paper money.

The letter which is despatched every night from the House of Commons to the King, giving a summary of the proceedings during the sitting, is now written, "Truth" states, by Mr Herbert Gladstone.

The newly drilled army from the various outposts surrounding Canton have received orders to proceed to Canton and they have arrived simultaneously. One thousand two hundred arrived yesterday.

Mr. W. T. Stead is the latest convert to the two-power standard for the Navy. Now we hear he is going to shave his beard off to represent Cromwell in the London pageant. Surely something must be happening to W. T.!

A correspondent writing from England reminds us that recruiting for the new Territorial Army is to commence on April 1. "Whether," he adds, "this is irony or a mere coincidence, on the part of those who have so arranged it, remains to be seen."

A London cable of March 2 to the "Nichi Nichi" states that the Asiatic Exclusion League repudiated the anti-Japanese demonstration at Vancouver proposed for the 1st inst., and the meeting closed with a frost fight, the lights being extinguished. The disruption of the Vancouver League is probable.

In the Koko Chiho Saibansho on March 5, judgment was given in the action brought by Mr. J. M. Muir against Mr. J. Clifford-Wilkinson, claiming payment on a promissory note for Y33,291 which was drawn on December 31, 1904, with interest from April last to the end of last year, the total sum claimed being Y37,144.63. The judgment was in favour of plaintiff.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Leigh & Orange	... 825
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The "Korea Daily News" of the 28th ultimo records that a pathetic little event took place at the Imperial Palace on the 26th ultimo when a number of the old servants were discharged by order of the authorities. Tears and sobs were prevalent everywhere, both from those who were leaving and those who stayed. An outsider wonders, adds our Seoul contemporary, if these innovations are really necessary.

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Hont	Sing-mu to Sleep	Greco
Character	The Whistlers	Their Dogs

GOD SAVES THE KING.

The motion that Li Po Kwei, Chang Sum Wu, Pun Yun Chun and Chai Siu Ki be appointed to approach the Chinese community for subscriptions was also carried.

The Chairman said that it was right that the Government should need the request considering that 80 per cent of the Colony's revenue was derived from the Chinese public.

The following resolution was proposed by Ho Fook and seconded by Chang Sum Wu and unanimously carried: "That the Union write to the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.L.C., and the Hon. Mr. Wui Yuk, M.L.C., to request the Government to translate the Bill to Amend the Public Health and Building Ordinance, and all other Bills which may hereafter be introduced affecting Chinese, for the information of the Chinese public."

Ho Fook moved that the bill should entail free subscriptions. As an alternative measure, it would be advisable to approach the Government and ask that the Bill be translated by the Government.

Chen Siu Po supported the proposal. He remarked however that the Government might refuse as the Bill was only in discussion and had not become law.

Ho Fook: We can find out in three or four days whether the Government will do it or not.

Chen Siu Po stated that it was but right that the Government should need the request considering that 80 per cent of the Colony's revenue was derived from the Chinese public.

The motion that Li Po Kwei, Chang Sum Wu, Pun Yun Chun and Chai Siu Ki be appointed to approach the Chinese community for subscriptions was also carried.

The Chairman said he had pleasure to subscribe \$100 in advance. The meeting terminated at 8 p.m.

Discussion at Sanitary Board Postponed.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday the draft bill amending the Public Health and Building Ord

HOMeward Bound.

CRICKETERS LEAVING AUSTRALIA.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 17.

The match between West Australia and England has been drawn. The tour has now been concluded, and the English team leaves Australia shortly.

FIGHTING THE MOORS.

STUBBORN ENGAGEMENT.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 17.

On the 15th instant a French force operating in Morocco encountered a large gathering of Moors, and a fierce fight ensued.

The engagement lasted for hours, and culminated in a hand to hand conflict, the French using their bayonets with great effect. The Moors fought obstinately, and lost heavily, especially as a result of the bayonet charge.

Tents and herds were captured by the French who returned to their camp after a march of 38 miles, displaying wonderful endurance.

PROPOSED TAX AT CHILIH.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, March 17.

A stamp revenue regulation is to be put into force on the 1st of the 4th moon in Chilih Province.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

PRINCE KUMI IN MADRID.

LONDON, March 16.

Prince Kumi has handed the Queen of Spain the order of the Crown, on behalf of the Empress of Japan.

ILLNESS OF THE EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA.

LONDON, March 16.

The Emperor of Austria is ill with a bad cold, and all audiences have been cancelled.

LOSS OF A CAPE LINER.

The Newark Castle Wrecked.

LONDON, March 16.

The Liner Newark Castle has been totally wrecked at Zulukland. The wife of Major Boys and two of the crew were drowned, the rest, including Major General Dalton, and a detachment of troops for Mauritius, were saved.

REIGN OF TERROR IN HAYTI.

Summary Executions.

LONDON, March 16.

A reign of terror exists in Port au Prince. Twelve of the leading citizens, who are alleged to be concerned in a conspiracy, were dragged from their beds and summarily executed.

Ultimatum by Powers.

LONDON, March 16.

An ultimatum has been sent by the French and German Ministers demanding the surrender of refugees.

Despatch of Warships.

LONDON, March 16.

Mr Asquith has announced that the Creasy and the Indefatigable have been despatched to the Island, and French and German warships are also proceeding.

It is announced in Berlin that the French and Germans are acting together.

CHINA'S MILITARY EXPENDITURE.

Canton Heavily Drawn Upon.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 17.

The re-organisation of China's Army has incurred the payment by Canton of \$1,200,000 a year. This year's payment has been in arrears, and Peking has wired for immediate remittance. The authorities were very reluctant. Previously, Vice-Admiral Clegg memorialised for a reduction, stating that it was unfair that Kwangtung had to pay this amount while other provinces with a larger revenue paid a similar sum.

As usual Peking did not listen to such an appeal.

CHINA'S TELEGRAPHS.

ADMINISTRATORS RESIGN.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

SHANGHAI, March 17.

The administrators of the Imperial Chinese Telegraphs, Shanghai, have sent in their joint resignation owing to the enforcement of new regulations by the Board of Posts and Communications. Peking has wired requesting them to remain in their posts.

STRIKE IN CHIKIANG.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, March 17.

Business has been suspended in Kun District, near Ningpo, Chikiang Province, to oppose an increased taxation.

CHANG CHIH TUNG.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, March 17.

An edict is expected shortly appointing Chang Chih Tung to a post outside the Capital.

BANDIT ACTIVITY.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, March 17.

One hundred mounted bandits have encircled Kuan, Ti Ping (near Shantung) and attacked the Imperial soldiers.

During the engagement ten soldiers of the Imperial forces were killed.

A reinforcement helped to drive the bandits away.

THE SEIZED STEAMER.

A BOYCOTT AGAINST JAPAN.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 17.

The Canton public, which was held in suspense owing to the non-arrival of an official announcement regarding the Tatsu Maru II, is indignant, but general dissatisfaction prevails throughout the City as the telegrams from Tokyo which appeared in the local press. A private meeting was held in which no public demonstration was made but according to information from various sources, a boycott against all and anything Japanese has been declared.

Telegrams from China in the Philippines Islands, Shanghai, Bangkok and Swatow support the boycott. But it has been agreed that no public meeting will be convened.

SPORTING.

The V.R.C. Athletic Sports.

The annual athletic sports promoted by the Victoria Recreation Club are to be held during next month, probably about the 25th, but an announcement as to date and venue will be made later. Intending competitors have plenty of time for training and good racing, will probably be witnessed. One open race was held at the Royal Garrison Artillery Sports owing to the trials of the A.A.A. that soldiers could not compete as amateurs, so that it is very probable that no event at the coming sports in which soldiers will meet civilians. The programme has not yet been arranged and in this connection it is worth pointing out—if a team race be held—that great success attended the R.G.A. team which was run round the circular track. The leading team could be picked out at any time.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 16th at 11.45 a.m.—The barometer has fallen over Central Japan and the Bonins; and risen elsewhere, particularly over N. China.

The depression is moving Eastwards over the Pacific to the S. of Japan, and an anticyclonic area of considerable intensity now lies over N. China.

Gradients are rather steep, and strong monsoons may be expected in the Foochow and the China Seas.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon—

FORECAST DIRECTIONS.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. wind, strong; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

CURE YOUR COLD BEFORE IT ENDANGERS YOUR HEALTH.

THE quicker a cold is taken off, the better. From a bottle of Chamberlain's Ouch Remedy and Peking, for the purpose of making money out of the Company. The case is now under investigation.

Kong has been accused of starting a timber firm in conjunction with the Company's ex-Vice-President Wong, for the purpose of making money out of the Company. The case is now under investigation.

ARMS SMUGGLING.

MORE ARMS SEIZED.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 17.

Information has reached here that fifty rifles and three thousand rounds of ammunition have been seized by the customs at Mu Fa village, at Chinsian, Chinese Territory, a little distance from Macao.

The arms and ammunition were packed in boxes, and some seventeen persons were engaged. The men escaped.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY.

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)

Sir—Adverting to the leader in your valued journal of a few days ago regarding the scope of that proposed University, it may be premature but not inappropriate to make a few remarks on the subject for the furtherance of such a laudable scheme. In the first place the members of the foreign community would naturally like their sons to graduate in their respective countries and be educated in their own Alma Mater, so that such an institution as the proposed University would be taken advantage of only by the few whose means and circumstances would not allow them to be sent across the seas. It would, therefore, be mainly by Chinese that the University would be availed of, and it becomes the Government in arranging the curriculum to avoid falling into the same pit as the Universities of India. We have the evidence of reliable authorities to guide us in this matter: When the idea of a University in Calcutta was conceived by Warren Hastings the object was to further the study of the Oriental classic and to awaken the dormant energies of the natives and stimulate them to develop their own magnificent literature and materials their highest ideals for their welfare and happiness. Many decades afterwards the Government introduced the system of competitive examinations and dangled before the eyes of the half-awakened native graduate the glorious prize of a substantive post in the service of the Sikhs. The result was that the natives rushed to burn themselves in the terrible cauldron of "cran," in order to obtain the positions offered. Still more unfortunate it was when the Government made it more or less *sin qua non* for the candidate for a Government subordinate post to be at least a graduate. The examinations became stiffer and the mental strain more strenuous. What was the outcome of such a system? India became flooded by a plethora of B.A.'s and M.A.'s, all pursuing the same Will o' the Wisp. The supply exceeded the demand, and, in consequence, an overwhelming majority were left in the cold, utterly unable to find a position to keep them from starvation. Their education was such that they had primed themselves simply with a view to delivering their acquired store of knowledge on a given day. Their failures were mostly attributed to questions placed before them in some other form, which found them unprepared.

India is now undergoing the trial of being pestered by agitators created principally by the uniflty graduates whose education, through cramming, rendered them totally unfit to pursue any profession, save that of a mere copyist, whose remuneration was so small that even the most valiant could barely make both ends meet.

What is more important is that several well-to-do natives have paid heavily for a University degree by their sons, at the cost of neglecting to attend the development of their own resources—the soil.

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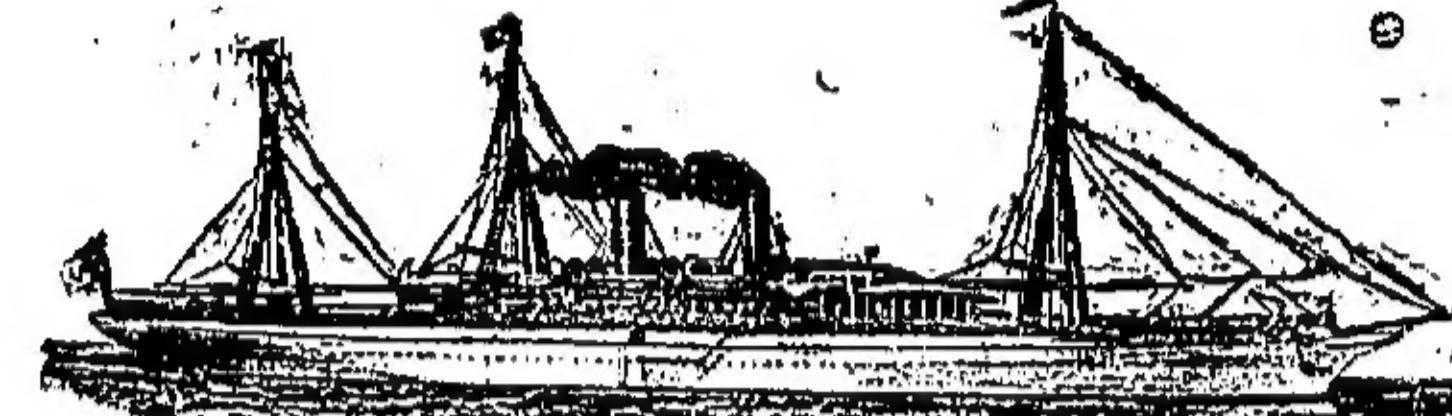
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LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS	(MARMORA)	11 Noon, 21st	YUNTSUNG, FRIDAY,
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE (PERA)	Capt. G. H. C. WESTON, R.N.R.	March,	Mar. 20, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI AND YOKOHAMA	(Capt. W. W. COOKE, R.N.R.)	About 22nd	SHANGHAI, via SWATOW, WING-SANG, MONDAY,
LONDON & ANTWERP	VIA STORE, FANG, OCHO	Freight only.	TIENTHIN, CHI-PING, MONDAY,
& PORT Said	Capt. F. E. ANDRESEN, R.N.	March.	SINGAPORE, PENANG, KUM-SANG, TUESDAY,
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MARSEILLE, LONDON	AWA MARU, Tons 6309	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, Daylight.
AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	Capt. F. E. Coop.	
VICTORIA, B.C., AND SEATTLE, WASH., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU, Tons 6134	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, at Daylight.
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VS MANILA, THURS.	Capt. K. Hennig, Tons 3116	Mar., at Noon.
DAY ISLAND, TOWNS	NIKKO MARU, Capt. T. L. Harrison, Tons 5538	FRIDAY, 17th April, at Noon.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE	YOSHIO MARU, Capt. B. Ken, Tons 4087	SATURDAY, 21st April, at 4 p.m.
KORE & YOKOHAMA	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 6126	SATURDAY, 21st Mar., at Daylight.
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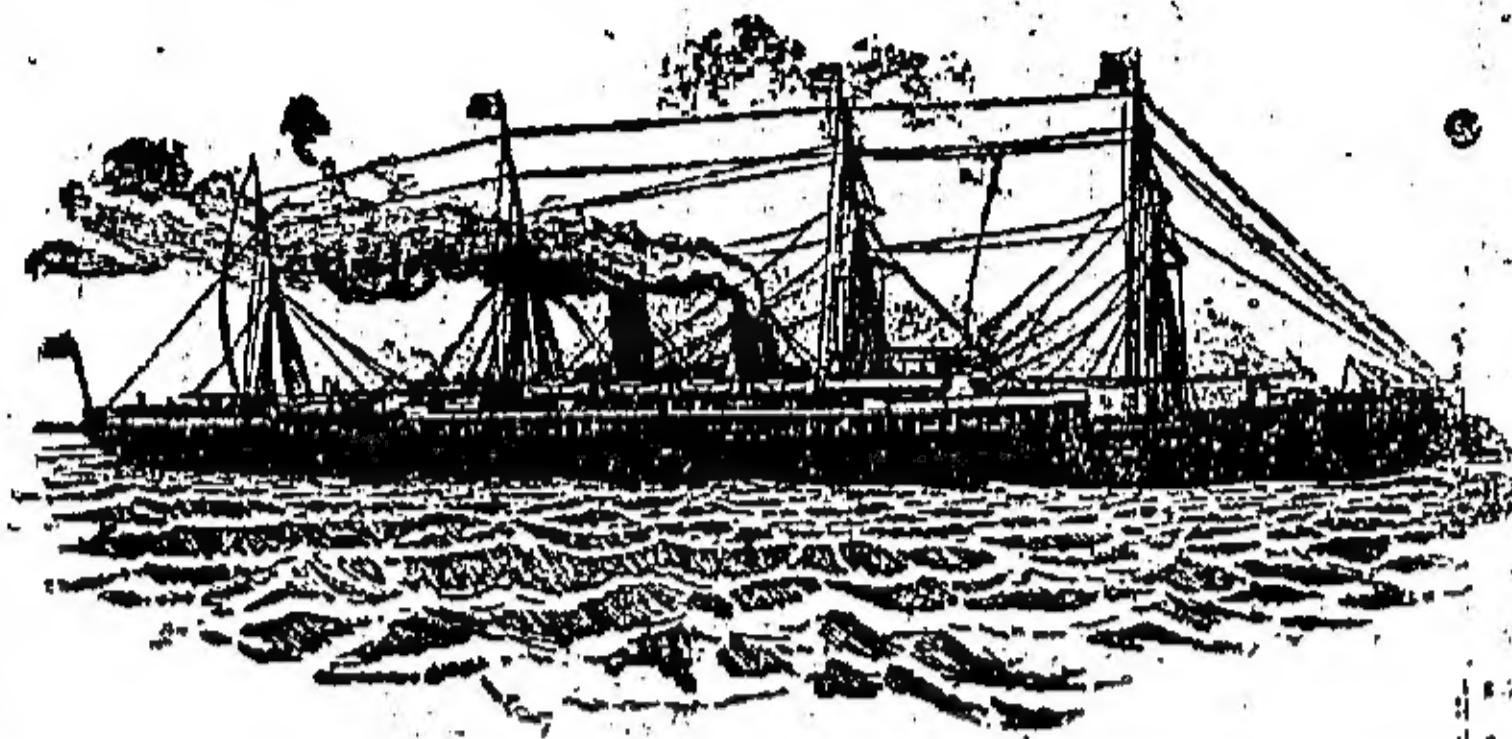
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* AMERICA MARU	...11,000	SATURDAY, 11th April, at Noon.
* SIBERIA	...18,000	SATURDAY, 18th April, at Noon.
* MANCHURIA	...10,000	SATURDAY, 25th April, at Noon.
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GLEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO', LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship *Glenmore* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 18th Inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th Inst., at 11 a.m.

No claims will be recognised if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, March 12, 1908. 403

BREASTING THE WAVES.

A Thirty Mile Swim.

Captain Carlisle D. Graham, of Wilmington, Del., who is famed as the "hero of Niagara," because of hisfeat in passing through the rapids and whirlpool of the Falls in a cask back in July, 1886, has been examining another long swim, says an Eastern Exchange. He intends to start at Niagara Falls and swim down the St. Lawrence River, crossing Lake Ontario, thirty-eight miles away, his final landing place being designated as Montreal. That will mean a total of 300 miles to cover, and he intends to average about ten hours a day in the water, covering approximately fifteen miles in the time.

During the crossing of the lake, however, Captain Graham reckons that he will have to be in the water for twenty hours. He will start training in June and, though 67 years old, he is confident that he will be able to negotiate the full distance.

"The start will be made," says Captain Graham, "from a point about half a mile below the Falls. I shall wear a rubber life preserver, and a boat will accompany me. I must pass through the Niagara whirlpool and four rapids in my swim. Two of these rapids will prove a great undertaking. One of them, the Long Sault, near Cornwall, Ont., is six miles long, and the Lachine Rapids, in the St. Lawrence River, are still worse. The boat is not to join me until I reach Listowel, which is seven miles from the Falls."

From Youngstown, N. Y., I shall start my thirty-six-mile swim across Lake Ontario. I dread that, not because of the distance, but because the lake is very rough so much of the time. It will probably take me twenty hours to get across, and I shall have to stay in the water and keep afloat from the boat all that time, otherwise my swim would be broken.

While in the water I will be fed on beef tea and other liquid nourishment. If I succeed in crossing Lake Ontario without breaking my swim I shall proceed down the lake from Toronto until I reach Kingston. Here I shall enter the St. Lawrence River, and passing through the Thousand Islands, I shall make my way to Montreal, the end of my trip. I should like to make the swim in thirty days. If things go as I hope I shall make an attempt to swim the English Channel. Although I have been abroad forty times I have never tried it."

Mr. Morse, ex-president of the Bank of North America, has again been indicted for conspiracy touching the North America's transactions.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 2 p.m. To-day, requesting me to land here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, and Goods remaining undelivered after MONDAY, the 23rd March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 23rd March, or they will not be received.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 23rd March, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. MILLET, Agent.

Hongkong, March 12, 1908. 423

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER TOURANE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo from LONDON ex s.s. *Charente* and *Matapan*; from HAVRE ex s.s. *Charente*; from BORDEAUX ex s.s. *Combray*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received by the Undersigned, and Goods remaining undelivered after TUESDAY, the 24th March, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

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AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kunming* having arrived from the above Ports.

Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from Shanghai.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 1 p.m. the 16th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 12, 1908. 410

THE FIRST CHINESE NEWSPAPER EVER ISSUED UNDER PURELY NATIVE DIRECTION.

ALL THE LATEST INTELLIGENCE FROM THE VARIOUS PORTS IN CHINA AND JAPAN.

\$6 per Annum delivered in Hongkong.

\$12.50 to all Coast Ports.

5 WELLINGTON STREET, HONGKONG.

Orders booked by Manager, CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, March 12th, 1908.

At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

cts.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa ... lb 19.

Corned—Ham Ngan Yuk ... 19.

Roast—Shit ... 19.

Braised—Kau Lam ... 15.

Soup—Tong Yuk ... 15.

To-day's Advertisements

ORIENTAL HOTEL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 19TH MARCH.

DINNER MENU:

Soused Cucumber. Celery.
HORS D'OEUVRES: Forced Olives on Toast.
S O U P : Birds' Nest.
F I S H : Boiled and Anchovy Sauces.
ENTRÉES: Lamb Chop Cutlets and Green Peas, Asparagus and Ham with Butter Sauce
Oyster Patties.
C U R R Y : Chicon.
J O I N E S : Roast Turkey and Cranberry Sauce, Roast Sirloin of Beef and Horseradish COLD MEATS: Blend Sausage. Soused Goose or Aspic.
S A L A D : Spanish.
VEGETABLES: Boiled Potatoes. French Potatoes, Cauliflower. String Beans.
ENTRÉMES: Chocolate Pudding, Fruit Pie and Crème Sauces. Vanilla Ice Cream and Fingers Cakes.
DESSERT: Cheese and Crackers. Fruits. Tea. Coffee.

Hongkong, March 18, 1908. 433

HONGKONG REGATTA.

INTENDING Competitors are reminded that ENTRÉES CLOSE at Noon on SUNDAY, 22nd inst., to the Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Regatta, at the Hongkong Club. Entrants fees should accompany the entries and can conveniently be sent through the Secretaries of Rowing and Yacht Clubs to whom forms have been sent.

Hongkong, March 18, 1908. 433

CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 79

CHANGE IN CHARACTER OF COLLINSON'S BRIDGE PARADE RED LIGHT, STEAMER PARADE

NO NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the character of the light on the southern end of the northern section (steamer passage) of the Collinson Reach Barrier (iron barrier), Canton River, has been changed, the new light being exhibited for the first time at sunset on the 15th instant.

The new illuminating apparatus is dioptric, consisting of the Sixth Order, showing a RED Light varied by two short eclipses in quick succession.

The Light, from which the light is exhibited, stands on the southern end of the northern section of the barrier, and the light, which is elevated 18 feet above ordinary high water level, is visible in the reaches to the East and West of the barrier.

The Hut is a square structure 20 feet high painted white and surrounded by a bell.

Appropriate position:
Latitude ... 24° 05' N.
Longitude ... 113° 27' E.

For B-1 Signal.

In thick or foggy weather a bell will be struck continuously by machinery once every 6 seconds.

H. G. MYHRE,
Deputy Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs,
Coast Inspector's Sub-Office,

Canton, March 18, 1908. 435

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of YUN JOOUNG SIN,
Deceased.

WHERAS a certain sum in the year 1893 deposited by the above named Yun Jooung Sin (believed to be of Korean nationality) with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in the Colony of Hongkong, AND WHEREAS the said Yun Jooung Sin is believed to have since died, AND WHEREAS the said sum together with certain accretions of interest thereon now stand to the credit of the Estate of the said deceased in the books of the Official Administrator of the said Colony kept in the Registry of the Supreme Court of the said Colony, AND WHEREAS on the 13th day of March, 1908, by an Order of the said Court it was ordered (inter alia) that advertisements be inserted in certain newspapers giving notice of the facts above recited relative to the death of the said Yun Jooung Sin and of the aforesaid deposit by him. NOW IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that if no claimant appears within twelve months of the date hereof to claim such funds as aforesaid, such funds will be transferred to the revenue of the said Colony under the Provisions of "The Unclaimed Balances Ordinance, 1885" (No. 1 of 1885).

All communications must be addressed to the Official Administrator, Supreme Court, Hongkong, or the Undersecretary.

Dated the 15th day of March, 1908.

REGINALD HARDING,
14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Victoria, Hongkong.

Solicitor for the Official Administrator.

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THEATRE ROYAL,

HONGKONG.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!

MARCH 18TH. MARCH 19TH.

MAURICE E. BANDMANN

PRESENT

HENRY DALLAS

AND THE

BANDMANN OPERA CO.

TO-NIGHT (WEDNESDAY), MARCH 17.

For the first time in Hongkong, the present

LONDON CRAZE.

'THE MERRY WIDOW'

(DIE LUSTIGE WITWE)

THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY,

MARCH 18th, 19th and 20th.

For the first time in Hongkong,

'THE THREE KISSES.'

PRICES: \$1. 50. 75.

See how now be booked at Messrs

MOUŘIE & CO.

Hongkong, March 17, 1908. 434

BABY IN AGONY FOR SIX MONTHS

Torturing Eczema Covered Head, Face, Neck, and Arms—Parents were in Despair, fearing His Death or Lifelong Suffering. Condition was Pitiful—Baffled treatment.

CURED IN THREE DAYS BY CUTICURA OINTMENT

"My little son's eczema started when he was seven weeks old, his face, shoulders, neck, and arms were red and rough, just the way one's hands turn if one bathes them in water a great deal. A doctor saw my son, and did his best for six months, without avail.

The child was very weak, and often had convulsions, the affected parts becoming one solid sore. He was a pitiable sight, trying nearly to exhaust himself in his efforts to allay his torturing skin by rubbing and scratching. We were almost despairing of what to do.

Cuticura Ointment was at last applied, and within a few days the skin was perfectly clear.

Really, I should never have believed it if I had not seen it myself.

It was two years ago that my child was two years old, and the result of any kind of irritation, and is now the perfect picture of health. I cannot too strongly express my gratitude for what a wonderful Cuticura Ointment does for us. I am only too pleased to show the child to any one who calls to verify this marvellous cure. William Cooper, 210, Murchison Rd., Leyton, London, N.E., July 4, 1907.

For free Copy of Cuticura Book on Treatment of Skin Diseases.

Complete External and Internal Treatment for Every Humor of Infants, Children, and Adults. Cuticura Ointment to Heal the Skin, and Cuticura Liniment to Soothe the Skin. Cuticura Liniment Plaster. Cuticura Curly Soap. Sold throughout the World. Agents London, 27, Charlotte St., W.1. Sydney, South Africa, London, Ltd., Paris, France, New York, Liverpool, London, etc. Price 1/- per oz. & 1/- per fl. oz. Sole Proprietor.

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To-day's Advertisements

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO. LTD.

THE TWENTY FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE HOLDERS in the said COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 20 George's Building, 4 Connaught Road, Victoria, MONDAY, the 30th March, 1908, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1907, and electing Consulting Committees and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, to MONDAY, the 30th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 18, 1908. 440

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE MOJI AND NAGASAKI.

THE Steamer JAPAN.

Captain J. G. OLIVER, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY the 25th inst., at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

For Free Passage, apply to

D. SASSEY & CO., Ltd., Agents.

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STEAMERS PASSED SUZU CANAL SUPPLIED BY REEDER.

Feb. 14, Jason, Gloucester.

February 18, Benvenuto, Hudson, Svera, Perla, St. Nicholas, Korner, Helene Rickmers.

Feb. 21, Albergo, Glencairn, India-wards, Prometheus.

February 25, Broonsire, Wy.

February 28, Indien, Nore, Pingay, Sundu, Errell, Indrapura, Langkaw.

March 3, Belazier.

March 6, Astyanax, Achilles, Arandath, Bath C. Fred Louis, Hitachi Maru.

March 10, Denbighshire, Den of Airlie, Palawan Silvia (Gor).

March 13, Alcina, Calchas, Oceanian, Tidan.

March 17, Nippon, York, Japan, Sengambia, G. earnest, Ardenwood, Headley.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

March 17, Astyamaz, Siam.

DEPARTURES.

March 18.

Fukoku Maru, for Swatow.

Samoa Maru, for Singapore and London.

Kading for Amoy.

Yochon for Shanghai.

Shandong, for Swatow.

Nanchang for Nanchwang.

Aman for Canton.

Chiayi for Shanghai.

Seochon for Canton.

Quarta for Canton.

Nikko Maru, for Nagasaki.

CLEARED.

Kuklung, for Canton.

Marun Maru, for Nagasaki.

Hongkong I, for Amoy.

Fooching, for Canton.

Ascol, for Mororan.

Changchun for Amoy.

Sotok, for Phu yen.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

March 17, Astyamaz, Siam.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

Mails.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Montcalm left Vancouver on Thursday afternoon, the 6th March, for Hongkong, via the usual Ports of Call.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. Prince Waldegrave left Sydney on Wednesday, the 11th March, at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 1st April.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. Molta with the Imp. German Mail of the 21st February, left Singapore on Saturday, the 14th March, at 4 p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 25th March.

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